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FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 9003

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 4059

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT VS JA

SUBJ: EVACUATION OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: STATE 071691

1. REFTEL NOT RECEIVED UNTIL OPENING OF  
BUSINESS MARCH 31 SINCE NOT SLUGGED IMMEDIATE NIACT. EMBASSY  
WILL OF COURSE MAKE FURTHER APPROACH AT HIGHEST LEVEL POSSIBLE.  
TO STRENGTHEN EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS APPROACH, WOULD APPRECIATE  
WHATEVER INFORMATION AND COMMENT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE CONCERN-  
ING FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

A. IN WHAT WAY HAS REPORTED FALL OF DANANG ALTERED EVACUATION  
PROSPECTS? WE PRESUME AIR EVACUATION IS NO LONGER FEASIBLE IN  
DANANG CASE.

B. ACCORDING TO PRESS, PRESIDENT FORD HAS URGED QTE  
ALL NATIONS AND CORPORATIONS THAT HAVE SHIPS IN VICINITY OF  
SOUTH VIETNAM UNQTE TO ASSIST IN EVACUATION. IS IT CONSIDERED  
USEFUL TO REQUEST DISPATCH OF SHIPS FROM JAPAN GIVEN TIME REQUIRED  
FOR THEM TO ARRIVE OFF SOUTH VIETNAM?

C. ARE EVACUATION PLANS BEING PREPARED FOR COASTAL CITIES  
OTHER THAN DANANG?

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D. IS THERE ANY POSSIBILITY THAT A CEASEFIRE MIGHT BE

ARRANGED IN DANANG TO PERMIT EVACUATION OF REFUGEES? PRESS  
REPORTS THAT HIGH-RANKING GVN SOURCES BELIEVE SUCH ARRANGEMENT  
NECESSARY TO FURTHER EVACUATION, AND DEPUTY PRIMIN DAN IS QUOTED  
AS BELIEVING EVACUATION SHOULD BE UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF UN AND  
ICRC.

E. WHAT GOVERNMENTS HAVE ALREADY COMMITTED ASSETS TO EVACUATION  
EFFORT?

2. IF EMBASSY CANNOT RECEIVE SUCH INFORMATION BY COB MARCH 31  
TOKYO TIME (0500 HOURS MARCH 31 WASHINGTON TIME), PLEASE  
ADVISE.  
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